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C O R R E C T E D C O P Y (SUBJECT LINE, REFS AND TEXT)

E.O. 12356: DECL: OADR
TAGS: PREL, RW
SUBJECT: ARUSHA PROCESS: PROPOSED DEMARCHE
AND POSSIBLE PARTIES' MEETING

REFS: (A) STATE 393899, (B) DAR ES SALAAM 6998
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1. C - ENTIRE TEXT.

2. WE ARE UNABLE TO CONFIRM MRND PREPAREDNESS TO PARTICIPATE IN ARUSHA PARTIES' CONFERENCE. ACCORDING TO DIRECTOR OF THE PRESIDENT'S CABINET, ENOCH RUHIGIRA, THERE IS TENTATIVE AGREEMENT IN PRINCIPLE, BUT THE MRND WISHES TO HAVE A MEETING WITH THE FIVE PARTIES NOW IN THE GOVERNMENT, AGREEMENT ON THE SUBSTANCE OF THE ISSUES TO BE DISCUSSED IN ARUSHA, AND THE APPOINTMENT OF A CHAIRMAN OF THE RWANDAN

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DELEGATION. MINISTER OF DEFENSE GASANA CONFIRMED AGAIN THAT THE MRND MINISTERS HAD RECOMMENDED GOING AHEAD WITH THE MEETING, BUT THAT HE IS UNAWARE OF A FORMAL DECISION BY THE PARTY ITSELF.

3. UNFORTUNATELY, LAST NIGHT THE WIFE OF COL. ELIE SAGATWA, PERSONAL SECRETARY AND BROTHER-IN-LAW TO THE PRESIDENT, PASSED AWAY AFTER A LONG ILLNESS IN KIGALI. ALL OF THE MRND LEADERSHIP AND PARTY FAITHFUL HAVE DEPARTED KIGALI FOR THE FUNERAL IN GISENGI. NOT ONLY DOES THIS DELAY THE PROCESS, BUT IT PUTS THE MRND LOYALISTS TOGETHER ON A SAD OCCASION, AND COULD VERY WELL HARDEN THEIR POSITIONS.

4. HAVING LOST TODAY, I FIND IT MOST UNLIKELY THAT THE PARTIES WILL BE ABLE TO COME TOGETHER WITH SUFFICIENT AGREEMENT TO GET TO ARUSHA TOGETHER BY SATURDAY, DECEMBER 12. WE HOPE TO HAVE MORE INFORMATION FROM THE TANZANIANS AND, AGAIN, FROM RUHIGIRA THIS EVENING, BUT ON THE BASIS OF PRESENT
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INFORMATION, I FEAR THAT IT MAY BE A FEW MORE DAYS BEFORE BRYNN'S PRESENCE IN ARUSHA WILL BE USEFUL.
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